

In the claims:

1. (currently amended) A fire alarm (1) which includes a base (1.5) and a fire alarm insert (1.1) which can be connected to base (1.5), wherein a covering cap (3) and a sheet (2, 2.1) located between the covering cap (3) and the fire alarm insert (1.1) are provided to cover the fire alarm insert (1.1), wherein the covering cap (3) has a cut-outrecess into which the sheet (2, 2.1) is inserted, and wherein the covering cap (3) is transparent.

Claim 2 cancelled.

3. (previously presented) The fire alarm as recited in Claim 1, wherein the covering cap (3) is convex in shape.

4. (previously presented) The fire alarm as recited in Claim 1, wherein the covering cap (3) has a mat finish, at least in some areas.

5. (previously presented) The fire alarm as recited in Claim 1, wherein the covering cap (3) is detachably connectable with the fire alarm insert (1.1) of the fire alarm (1).

6. (previously presented) The fire alarm as recited in Claim 1, wherein the connecting means between the covering cap (3) and the fire alarm insert (1.1) are configured as releasable detent elements or as a Velcro closure.

7. (previously presented) The fire alarm as recited in Claim 1, wherein the sheet (2, 2.1) is colored and/or has a pattern on it.

8. (previously presented) The fire alarm as recited in Claim 1, wherein the sheet (2, 2.1) is colored on both sides and/or has a

pattern on both sides, different colors and/or patterns being provided for each side of the sheet (2, 2.1).

9. (currently amended) A fire alarm (1) which includes a base (1.5) and a fire alarm insert (1.1) which can be connected to base (1.5), wherein a covering cap (3) and a sheet (2, 2.1) located between the covering cap (3) and the fire alarm insert (1.1) are provided to cover the fire alarm insert (1.1), wherein the fire alarm includes a substantially annular faceplate (3.1) which ~~can-beis~~ installed concentrically around the covering cap (3) and is easy to remove.

10. (previously presented) The fire alarm as recited in Claim 1, wherein the sheet (2, 2.1) is neutral in color and has a surface structure that can be painted in a common ceiling color.

11. (currently amended) An installation set with a fire alarm (1) which includes a base (1.5) and a fire alarm insert (1.1), wherein the installation set includes a covering cap (3) which is detachably connectable to the fire alarm (1), and a set of sheets which includes a plurality of replaceable sheets (2, 2.1), wherein the covering cap (3) has a ~~cut-outrecess~~ into which the ~~sheetsheets~~ (2, 2.1) is inserted, and wherein the covering cap (3) is transparent.

12. (new) The fire alarm as received in Claim 1, further comprising a light transmitter and a light receiver arranged such that a scattering point is located outside a light scattering smoke detector.

13. (new) The fire alarm as defined in Claim 12, wherein the radiation receiver and the radiation transmitter are located in the fire alarm insert (1.1).